

Bulgaria, Rumania and Greece are believed to be the Powers that are most likely to act.

A Constantinople despatch says it is rumored that the Kiaz Potemkin engaged two officers of a British ship while at Kustendje. It is a coincidence that the agents there of a British ship now at Kustendje have been ordered to send two officers to join her. No reason is given.

The Ottoman correspondent of the Standard says communication with Nicolaieff and Kherson is only tentatively reopened. Communication with the Caucasus is suspended. There was a crowd at Cap Potemkin on Tuesday night watching for the expected reappearance of the Potemkin. Cossacks attacked the people and brutally dispersed them, killing and wounding thirty. There has been more shooting in the Peresep district. It is stated that twenty-seven persons were killed.

Ugly rumors are prevalent regarding the future, including one of an impending anti-Jewish outbreak. The chief of police says there are grave reasons to fear that such an outbreak is being organized.

COSSACKS FIRE ON RIOTERS.

Trouble at the Potemkin Works When Young Man Shoots a Policeman.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, July 5.—A policeman to-day arrested the son of a foreman of the Potemkin iron works as he was entering the works, suspecting him of being a dynamite. The young man shot and killed the policeman with a revolver. There was further shooting, in which the young man was wounded.

The firing brought to the spot an immense crowd of workmen. Cossacks charged on them, using whips. They then fired three volleys into the crowd, killing several and wounding many.

Special Guard for Baku Oil Fields.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, July 5.—The officers of the companies engaged in the petroleum industry at Baku, Trans-Caucasia, have decided to dispense with the services of the police and to organize a military force of their own. They say that unless this is done the restoration of the petroleum industry is impossible.

RUNAWAY TEAM KILLS DRIVER.

Drag Wagon Over Little Girl Without Touching Her.

A runaway team at 18th street and Morris avenue, in the Bronx, yesterday afternoon caused the death of one man and imperiled scores of women and children.

The horses were attached to a wagon of the Zeltner Brewing Company of Third avenue and 17th street. The driver, Hugh Kelly of 1403 Webster avenue, had unbridled them to give them their dinner.

When he attempted to put the bit in the mouth of one of the animals a passing automobile frightened the horses and they started to run. Kelly held on to the horses and was dragged along for a block.

A child playing in the street had an alarm of the runaway team. A horse passed on each side of her and the wagon went over her head without so much as scratching her.

Had street the wagon struck a lamp-post, breaking it off. The horses kept on for another block, down the steep hill where, at 18th street, a new sewer is being put in.

Then the wagon came to a stop. Kelly, who had been in the wagon all this time, was thrown out and the horses fell down.

The horses continued for several blocks and were caught by a policeman.

Start was dead when the wagon was lifted off his body.

POWDER BOX THAT HURT SEVEN.

Left on Sidewalk by Men, Who Are Arrested for Criminal Negligence.

Capt. Gallagher of the Bedford avenue station, Williamsburg, after an investigation of the powder explosion at Wythe avenue and North Sixth street on Tuesday night, by which seven boys were badly burned, arrested four men for criminal negligence. They are Richard Meyer, saloonkeeper, of 84 North Sixth street, Frank Rauch of 106 Berry street, John Gleason of 94 North First street and John O'Keefe of 114 Devoe street. It is said that Meyer provided several pounds of powder for the explosion. A horse passed on each side of her and the wagon went over her head without so much as scratching her.

It was there that the boys found it and tried it with about two pounds of powder. Meyer had a revolver and a box of crackers and a tin of butter.

When the powder exploded, it killed a boy and wounded six others. The explosion was heard for miles around.

The prisoners were taken to the Lee avenue police court and assigned for arraignment on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

THREE BOYS FOUND AT A PLACE.

Picked Up by a Patrolman on Tuesday Night.

Dr. Frederick S. Rogers of 542 Madison avenue was on a Madison avenue car platform last night when a young man jumped off and walked west through Fifth-sixth street.

The car had started again when Peter Garland of 40 West Fifty-eighth street showed the driver that his watch chain was hanging and Dr. Rogers found that the boy was suffering from a concussion.

Dr. Rogers called a doctor and the boy was taken to the hospital. The driver of the car was arrested and charged with driving recklessly.

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HEAT KILLS TWO GONDOLIERS.

American Women Passengers Also Overcome—All Italy Is Suffering.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. VENICE, July 5.—Three American women left here to-day in a gondola to visit the village of Forcello. One of the gondoliers was soon stricken. The women assisted him, but in a short time they, too, were stricken. The second gondolier shouted for help, but his cries were not heard. Subsequently he was overcome and fell dead from the heat.

When help came the first gondolier was dead. The women recovered consciousness, but their condition is serious.

Rome, July 5.—Entire pages of the newspapers are devoted to the subject of the phenomenal heat in Italy. The temperature in the shade in the square before St. Peter's was over 100 degrees Fahrenheit to-day.

There has been an enormous number of sunstroke cases. Several passengers on the railway between Rome and Milan, rendered frantic by the intense heat yesterday, attempted to jump off the train.

PAUL JONES CEREMONY TO-DAY.

France Will Transfer the Body—American Representatives Entertained.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, July 5.—Premier Rouvier entertained at breakfast to-day Ambassador McCormick, Gen. Porter and Assistant Secretary of State Loomis. To-night they and Admiral Sigsbee dined with M. Thomson, the Minister of Marine. The guests included the presidents of the Senate and the Chamber.

Workers are engaged in erecting upon the Esplanade des Invalides a structure upon which will rest to-morrow the remains of John Paul Jones while the troops and bluejackets and marines march past, before the body is removed to the train that is to convey it to Cherbourg.

WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIPS ABROAD.

Americans in London Start a Movement to Provide Them.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. LONDON, July 5.—The Society of American Women in London is starting a movement to found a number of scholarships for American women in the English universities. The scheme contemplates a two years postgraduate course. It is at first intended to confine the operation of the plan to Bedford College.

The scheme will be formally presented at the biennial meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs at Boston, when an endeavor will be made to secure funds for the founding of ninety-six perpetual scholarships, divided into two for each State. It is estimated that the scheme will require \$100,000.

COUNT THIEF KILLED IN AUTO.

His Machine Was Overturned and Thrown Into a Ravine.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, July 5.—While the Count Thiey was proceeding to see the automobile race to-day his car was overturned on a curve near Lezay and thrown into a ravine. The Count received injuries from the effect of which he died at a hospital.

A woman accompanying him was severely injured.

Rare Books Bring Good Prices.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. LONDON, July 5.—A fine copy of Caxton's "Book of the City of Manes," a copy of Tindale's "Pentateuch," 1530, sold for \$4,720. A fourteenth century manuscript of Wycliffe's New Testament, on vellum, once the property of Sir Thomas More's daughter, brought \$2,750. "The Book of Hours," used by Louis XVI. upon the scaffold, was sold for \$720.

Perry Fund Given for Japanese Relief.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. TOKYO, July 5.—The committee of the Perry Memorial Relief Fund to-day presented \$100,000 yen to Viscount Tanaka, Minister of the Imperial Household, for distribution under the Emperor's commands to destitute families of Japanese soldiers and sailors. The fund is the joint enterprise of Americans and Japanese, and it is regarded as an expression of the warm sympathy between the two peoples.

Results of Italian Elections.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ROME, July 5.—The Moderate Clericals are now coming to the fore in the provincial elections. So far they have gained twenty-four seats. The Clericals have prevailed at Bologna, Padua, Verona, Biella, Treviso, Vals and Biadello. The Radicals have carried Cremona, Lecco, Castello and Laocra. The parties were about equal in Genoa and Leghorn.

No More Plague Cases at Panama.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PANAMA, July 5.—Gov. Magallon last evening tendered a reception to President and Mrs. Amador at the Central Hotel. It was largely attended.

There have been no further cases of the plague, which indicates that the disease has been wiped out.

Cotton's Close in Liverpool.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. LIVERPOOL, July 5.—Cotton closed today's best figure.

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JAPAN FIRST WANTS AGREEMENT ON BASIS OF PEACE TERMS.

Doesn't Want to Waive Any of Her Rights as Victor—Rumors Unwilling to Go Further in Seeking Cessation of Hostilities at This Time—The Peace Meeting

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, July 5.—It is ascertained from official sources that an armistice cannot be arranged. Japan has made it known that she will not consent to an armistice until the Russian peace mission has formally accepted the basis of her proposals, which will not be communicated till a peace conference has assembled.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Confirmation was had in diplomatic circles to-day of the information contained in despatches from St. Petersburg that the failure up to this time to reach an agreement for an armistice was due to the refusal of Russia on the one hand to go further than she has already done in intimating her willingness to cease hostilities and to do her part toward securing permanent peace, and the determination of Japan, on the other hand, not to take the initiative in asking for the armistice.

The position of Japan, it was said by a man who spoke authoritatively, was not one of continued hostility. She was willing to make peace, it was explained, and pending the negotiations, was willing to consent to an armistice. But she will not take the initiative in asking a cessation of operations, having up to this time maintained the position of victor in the conflict.

While Russia has indicated a willingness, it was said, to agree to an armistice, she has not formally asked for it. She is unwilling to make the first request. It was explained that to do so might convey the idea that Japan feared the outcome of continued hostilities, and her position in this respect was supported by continued declarations of Russian officers and diplomats up to a very recent time that Russia had no intention of making peace, but would prolong the struggle indefinitely.

Japan's leaders in the peace negotiations refuse to take the risk of being accused in the future of having sued for peace or of dreading the outcome of further warfare.

In Washington there is a feeling born of earnest desire that ultimately an armistice will be reached. The resources of President Roosevelt, it is believed, will be successfully employed to this end.

It was learned to-night that a tentative agreement has been reached on the place of meeting for the peace commission outside of Washington for the summer months. It will be subject to the President's approval. It is understood that the consideration of the summer resorts on Cape Ann has been abandoned.

No negotiations have been carried on between Baron Rosen, the new Russian Ambassador, and Minister Takahira of Japan since the former's arrival in this country looking to the meeting of the peace envoys. There has been no communication between any kind.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, will leave Washington next Sunday for New York and will sail for Europe on the 11th.

312 FOR KILLING A MAN.

Murderer's Confession That He and Another Were Hired by Jealous Suitor.

FRANKLIN, Pa., July 5.—District Attorney John L. McBride made public to-night a confession of Walter Wheaton, now serving nineteen years in the Western Penitentiary for the murder of George Carter in Corn Planter township in 1898, in which he says he was only an accomplice in the crime. He says the actual murder was committed by George McKay, whose confession in 1898 was the means of convicting Wheaton.

The important part of Wheaton's confession is his statement that he and McKay were hired to kill Carter by J. M. Anderson, who gave them \$10 and promised them \$50 more. They got only \$12. Wheaton says Anderson was jealous of the attentions paid by Carter to a woman in the neighborhood and wanted to get him out of the way.

During the trial of the case the Commonwealth was unable to assign a motive for the crime. Anderson testified in Wheaton's behalf. He was not there against the trial, however, he has disappeared, and it was because there was little hope of apprehending him that the District Attorney made public his confession.

While Carter was seated in his country home reading a newspaper and surrounded by his wife and children he was killed by a bullet through the window. He was afterward Wheaton and McKay were arrested, and the latter made a confession in which he implicated Wheaton as the principal. His story was corroborated in nearly every detail at the trial and Wheaton was convicted of murder in the second degree. One of the jurors, while satisfied of the prisoner's guilt, opposed to capital punishment. McKay was sent to the reform school and has since been released.

FIRE SET TO A TENEMENT.

Woman With Sick Baby Got In Time to Arouse Tenants Before Blast Got Headway.

Mrs. Sarah Knott, who lives on the second floor of a four story building, neighborhood at 138 Cook street, Williamsburg, after having nursed a sick child early yesterday morning went into the hall to draw water from a hydrant. She found the stairs in the upper part of the house ablaze and her screams awakened members of her family and other occupants of the house. The fire was extinguished by tenants with pails of water. Investigation disclosed that the fire was set by a man who had been drinking and was found on the stairs and banisters from the front hall door on the ground floor to the door of the stairway leading to the roof. In different parts of the hall rags, also saturated with oil, were found.

The police of the Stagg street station say that the house had been set on fire and they sent word to Fire Marshal Beer. In the course of the latter's investigation he learned that the door leading to the roof of the house had been carelessly left open. When Beer reached the house he found the premises with kerosene crossed roofs of adjoining tenement dwellings to reach No. 138.

BROKER MILLER DEAD.

Shot Himself in Buffalo and Lived a Fortnight With a Bullet in His Brain.

BUFFALO, July 5.—Deane Miller, the New York broker who shot himself in the head here two weeks ago last Wednesday, died this morning. His brother, a doctor on West Sixty-eighth street, New York, has taken the body back to his home.

The wounded man never recovered consciousness. The surgeons probed for the bullet, but could not extract it. The man lived a fortnight with the ball in his brain. At one time it was thought he would recover to a life of insanity.

Strike of Longshoremen at San Juan.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, July 5.—The longshoremen here have gone on strike. The work of loading and unloading vessels is being performed by laborers from the interior of the island. The strike is causing inconvenience to the shipping interests.

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chief criticism has been due to the fact that Grand Jurors were not thorough in their work. It has been said that the average time taken by a Grand Jury in its investigation of cases is five minutes. It is true that there are some cases that could be disposed of in a minute, but there are others which require most careful consideration.

"My opinion is that the Grand Jury does not give fair and honest consideration to all the cases that come before it. An indictment is only an accusation, but to the world at large it is tantamount to a conviction. I charge you that you have no right to call upon the District Attorney and the court for advice and instruction. As the District Attorney is now engaged upon a serious and most important task I trust that in that matter you will not give me occasion to regret that you have not performed your duty conscientiously and we will not have occasion to regret that you will not subject any individual to unnecessary humiliation or the county to unnecessary expense."

"The Grand Jury which has the most of its indictments dismissed for lack of evidence does the worst work. I wonder any one but a trial judge could appreciate as I can how many indictments are found on flimsy evidence. Indictments of that sort are a disgrace to the Grand Jury that issues them. I charge you to give the term goes on to charge you again."

Russell D. Hyde, a woolen merchant, is the foreman of the Grand Jury. He is no relative of James Hazen Hyde.

SENATOR BRACKETT PROTESTS

Against Electing Non-Stockholders as Directors in the Equitable.

ALBANY, July 5.—Senator Edgar T. Brackett filed to-day with Attorney General Mayer a protest as a policyholder in the Equitable Life Assurance Society against the election of policyholders who are not stockholders in the corporation to membership in the board of directors. He requests the Attorney General to bring the office of director to oust him therefrom.

My DEAR SIR: It is reported in the public prints that the new control of the Equitable Life Assurance Society purposes to elect directors as required by the provisions of the fact that they are, or are not, owners of stock in the company. The four of the articles of association of the society are as follows:

"The directors of the society shall be elected by the policyholders who are owners of stock in the company. The board of directors shall consist of fifty-two persons, of whom shall be a majority of at least twenty-five who shall be residents of the State of New York and each of whom shall be a proprietor of at least \$2,000 of the stock of the company."

Under this provision of the articles of association of the society, and these provisions of law, it seems manifest that if any person seeks to exercise the functions of a director of the society, he is liable to removal and to the penalty named. Yours truly,

Attorney-General Mayer declined to-night to make any statement concerning the protest. He said he had merely written to Senator Brackett acknowledging the receipt of the letter.

GEN. WOOD IN BOSTON.

Said to Have Come From Manila to Consult a Surgeon About His Knee.

BOSTON, July 5.—Major-Gen. Leonard Wood, Mrs. Wood and Capt. Halstead Dorsey, his aid, arrived here from Manila late last night. It has been said that Gen. Wood has come to Boston to consult a surgeon relative to a malady which has of late affected his knee. There is another report in circulation that he came here to have his eyes attended to, the trouble being due, it is said, to the usual effect of the tropical sun on eyes not over strong. The General refused to tell the newspaper men what his ailment really is.

Regarding the knee trouble, it is said that Gen. Wood first noticed it slightly in the Cuban campaign of the Spanish War, and that in the Philippines campaign it bothered him so much that finding he was unable to get the required treatment in Manila he came to Boston to consult specialists.

Burned All the Mail.

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass., July 5.—Fire at 3 o'clock this morning destroyed the building owned by W. H. Little & Co. in the town of Sheffield. The building contained the post office and the telephone exchange. All the mail in the post office was destroyed. The Congregational Church, with its historic clock, was twice on fire. The firemen managed to save it.

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EARLY SPIN OF PATRICK O'HARA ENDS NEAR HARLEM RIVER.

Held Brass Rubber He Untied the Speed Mania Prompted Subtraction of Mr. Livermore's Car—Police Succeeded in Locking Up Companion Who Went Back

Patrick O'Hara, employed as a brass rubber in the garage of the Colvin Motor Company, at 410 West Fifty-ninth street, was left alone in the place between 7 and 7:30 yesterday morning. The night manager quit at 7 o'clock and the day manager did not show up on time. In the interval O'Hara decided to quit brass rubbing and take a spin.

The machine he selected was a 24 horsepower Fiat, which was the property of John L. Livermore, a broker, living at the Hotel Bellevue. Just what he intended to do with the machine isn't known, but whatever his designs were they were apparently frustrated by the machine definitely breaking down at 138th street and Morris avenue, where it was recovered from the bushes into which it had been pushed, in the afternoon. O'Hara disappeared.

James McDonald, a chauffeur, who lives at 108th street and the North River, went along with O'Hara at the latter's invitation. When the machine broke down he went back and reported the case at the garage. He said that he went into the garage in the morning in search of a friend, and O'Hara, saying that he was going for a spin, asked help to start the machine. McDonald said he consented to join in the spin. A block away from the garage they picked up a third man, for whom O'Hara stopped.

McDonald says that O'Hara's ideas of driving were crude, but the party went up Amsterdam avenue without mishap, and then turned to East 130th street and the Harlem River. On the bridge across the river the motor stopped and it took a few minutes to fix it. McDonald says he then asked where O'Hara intended to go.

"Sure, boss," said a negro caretaker, "I'd rather any other machine had been taken than yours. I just can't figure it now. I can't multiply, subtract or divide it, this child can't."

"There's nothing to multiply," retorted Mr. Livermore, "but it's an easy proposition to subtract. One automobile minus one automobile leaves no automobile."

Mr. Livermore said the machine was bought last fall and was worth \$800. The stock number of the machine was 715. The New York number did not run.

Early in the afternoon a man called upon a garage in Forty-fifth street, where Mr. Livermore had previously kept his automobile.

"Say," said he, "I've been minding a machine up here for hours while a man went away to get a machinist to fix it. He has come back and said if you want it you'd better come and get it, as I'm going to quit."

That garage telephoned the Colvin company and a man was sent to the Bronx. He found the machine and a tired colored man sitting in it. He said that all he knew about it was that a man had asked him to stay by it until he came back. The machine was taken down to the garage. None of the police who had been told to look for it apparently saw it on its way home.

In the afternoon, Driver Stillwagon swore out warrants for the arrest of two young men, Raymond Gooding, 17 years old, of 16 West Fifty-first street, and William Meagan, 18, an elevator boy of 419 West Fifty-third street. He had heard them talking about the affair in the garage and the garage man, O'Hara, said, had declared that he rode in the car as far as Seventy-second street. McDonald was arraigned in the West Fifty-third street court in the afternoon and held.

4,000 CLOAKMAKERS STRIKE.

A Thousand Shirtmakers Also Quit Work—Want Higher Wages.

Though the cloakmakers who are organized in the Brotherhood of Tailors have abandoned the idea of a general strike this summer, other clothing trades are whooping things up for a big strike. Benjamin Schlessinger, manager for the New York district of the International Women's Garment Makers' Union, said yesterday that strikes of cloakmakers and others belonging to his organization had been ordered against twenty firms, and that 4,000 men and women, employed mainly in making children's cloaks, were out so far. The strikes are for higher wages and union conditions, and may be extended to other firms to-day.

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The effect of the action in bankruptcy will be to set aside the transfers of property which have been made by Mr. Devlin recently, except the transfers of life insurance, which were made payable to Mrs. Devlin.

Run Down by Lawyer Billington's Auto.

STAMFORD, Conn., July 5.—Reno K. Billington, a lawyer with offices at 44 Broadway, New York, ran into Mrs. Mary Ross of Pacific street here to-day while passing through in his automobile with a party.

Mrs. Ross, who was driving a car, was struck and killed. She was released after being detained a while by the police. Mrs. Ross was bruised.

Many Builders Paying a Premium Over Union Rate to Hurry Work.

The bricklayers' unions have resisted all inducements to join the Associated Building Trades, modeled on the old Board of Building Trades, which enforced demands by strikes. They will do nothing, they say, which will bring them into conflict with the arbitration agreement. They are now getting 70 cents an hour, the highest wages ever paid.